GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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DECLINING EMPLOYMENT AVENUES IN SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the trend of declining employment avenues is continuing in the small scale industries;

(b): if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c): the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to increase the employment opportunities in SSI sector?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): Though the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations are primarily responsible for the promotion and development of Small Scale Industries (SSI), the Central Government implements a number of schemes/programmes for providing support to the SSI in infrastructure, credit, marketing, technology, etc.

Besides, it implements the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) and Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) specifically designed for creating self employment opportunities.

During the 10th Five Year Plan (2002-2007), an additional employment target of 4.4 million persons has been fixed for SSI sector, 2.5 million under the REGP, and 1.65 million under the PMRY. It is estimated that the achievements during the first three years of the 10th Five Year Plan under the SSI sector, REGP and PMRY have been 3.4 million, 1.36 million and 1 million respectively.